

REMARKS

Favorable consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.


In the present Official Action, Claims 25-39 which are present in the above-captioned application have been subjected to a restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 as follows:

- I. Claims 25-30, drawn to an operation system, classified in Class 606, subclass 1; and
- II. Claims 31-39, drawn to an endoscopic operation system comprising a plurality of operating handpieces, classified in Class 600, subclass 113.

As indicated, and in order to be fully responsive to the restriction requirement imposed in the present Official Action, applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, to prosecute the subject matter of Group II, i.e., Claims 31-39, and reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter in this application, i.e., Claims 25-30.

Wherefore, consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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